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Ms. Radha Sekar CEO Universal Service Administrative Co. 700 12th Street, NW, Suite 900 Washington, DC 20005

RE: In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors, CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45.

Dear Ms. Sekar:

I am writing in support of Cheri Rhinhart's nomination to the USAC Board of Directors position representing education.

Cheri is the Director of Information Technology for the InterMountain Education Service District and has led technology for that organization since 2005. In her role, she leads the delivery of technology solutions for 19 school districts across 3 counties in rural Oregon.

Cheri has devoted her career to leading technology systems and support for K-12 students and is a recognized leader both in the Northwest and nationally for her leadership and expertise, particularly with connectivity challenges faced by rural school systems. She has contributed and worked with the Consortium of School Networking (CoSN) on broadband connectivity and in that capacity, has effectively led the discussion around connectivity and equity for students. Additionally, she has achieved the Certified Education Technology Leader (CETL) certificate from CoSN, which is a rigorous process that demonstrates subject matter and leadership expertise.

I enthusiastically support Cheri's nomination to the USAC Board of Directors and believe her knowledge and experience would be a tremendous addition to the USAC. Please feel free to contact me should you desire any additional information.

Sincerely,

Steven Langford Chief Information Officer

Beaverton School District
Board Member: Consortium of School Networking

Board Member: Association for Computer Professionals in Education

District Goal: WE empower all students to achieve post-high school success.

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